IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Title: BIOINFORMATICALLY DETECTABLE GROUP OF NOVEL REGULATORY

VIRAL AND VIRAL ASSOCIATED OLIGONUCLEOTIDES AND USES

THEREOF

REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Dear Sir:

Applicant(s): Itzhak Bentwich, et al.

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In response to the non-final office action mailed on September 26, 2008 (the "Office Action"), please enter the following amendments and consider the remarks below in accordance with the Rules of Practice. No fees are believed to be due in connection with the filling of this paper, however, should any fees be deemed necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct them from Deposit Account No. 50-1662 referencing the above docket number.

Amendments to the Claims begin at page 2 of this response; Remarks begin at page 4.